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¶1. This is in response to the REFTEL action request. During the last two years of dramatic political and social changes in Kyrgyzstan, both the composition and membership of the government have changed. Currently, there is an extremely low number of women represented in the government bodies or in other high-level decision making positions. However, taking into account broader civil society, Post believes the following women, listed in alphabetical order, are strong, influential women leaders in Kyrgyzstan, and will continue to play a strong role in the fight for women's rights.

- Nurjan Baibolova - Chair, Bishkek City Council; Chair of the Association of Cities of the Kyrgyz Republic. In addition to being a leader in politics, Ms. Baibolova is a savvy business woman. Ms. Baibolova is the spouse of Kubatbek Baibolov, a prominent Member of Parliament (opposition) with presidential ambitions. In 2006, Ms. Baibolova participated in the U.S. Embassy-funded program "Land Management." Contact phone: 0(996)(312) 610207.

- Asol Moldokmatova - entertainer, TV personality, producer and presenter of "Salam, Kyrgyzstan!" weekly morning TV talk-show, has her own talent studio, very liked by the common Kyrgyz people. Contact phone: 0(996)(312) 595830 (office).

- Aigul Ryskulova - Chair, State Committee For Migration and Employment. Ms. Ryskulova is fairly new in the government, but very active and promising. Contact phone: 0(996)(312) 663343, 665158.

- Dinara Suimalieva is an active and well-known journalist. She created a popular TV program (Mean pen - Zloe pero) that is not aired anymore due to lack of funds. In 2006, Ms. Suimalieva participated in program "Role of Media in a Democratic Society," the U.S. Embassy-funded program. Ms. Suimalieva is a recipient of numerous professional awards and honors. Contact phone: 0(996) (502) 211678 (mobile), 0(996)(312) 286673 (home).

-Aziza Yuldasheva ) Executive Director at Association of Agro businessmen of Kyrgyzstan (AAK) in Osh city. Ms. Yuldasheva was critical in organizing and developing AAK. She is smart and enthusiastic, received a variety of trainings; she also has strong leadership skills. Contact info: 0(996)(312) 25-53-94. Yuldasheva aak@kt.net.kg.

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